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The railroad track situation on the undermentioned sections was as follows at the beginning of January 1949:

**Rostock - Schwerin (080)**

The second track is completely dismantled; a single-track main line is being laid.

Bützow - Güstrow

Second track is completely dismantled, the single-track main line is in operation.

Fritzwalk - Meyenburg

A single-track main line is being laid.

Berlin - Wittenberg

Second track is completely dismantled. The single-track main line is operating. The only stretch which has been relaid as double track runs from Wittenberg to Belzig.

Bitterfeld - Leipzig

A double-track main line is operating; work on it was completed early in 1949.

Erfurt - Neu-Dietendorf (J26)

A double-track main line is operating and a single-track main line is being laid.

Neu-Dietendorf - Eisenach

The second track is completely dismantled; the single-track main line is operating.

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Frankfurt/Oder - Cottbus - Torgau - Leipzig

8. The Frankfurt/Oder - Cottbus section was always single track, whereas the second track of the Cottbus - Torgau - Leipzig section has been completely dismantled.

Erfurt - Nordhausen

9. At present operating as single-track main line.

Leipzig - Dresden (via Riesa and Döbeln)

10. The second track on both routes is completely dismantled. The single track main line operates on both routes.

Berlin - Cottbus

1. A single track stretch with no apparent signs of large-scale work is in progress. Stocks of rails, however, were seen at the following stations: Grünau (293), Königswusterhausen (V02), Teupitz-Gross Köris (V01), Halbe (V00), Lützen, Vetschau (A37), and Cottbus.

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